

CLASS 2 MONDAY 1ST JUNE 2020

I am really looking forward to welcoming back the children in Class 2, initially the Year 1 children on Monday 1st June.

I have been working very hard to provide all that is necessary to keep the children safe, but at the same time try and keep things familiar to them.

I have arranged the tables by keeping them grouped, but moving them apart so the children are socially distanced, but are still able to talk to each other at the table. I have given then each a pack with essential resources; pencil, whiteboard, scissors, glue etc so they do not have to share. They also have a maths pack with a ruler, 100 square, number line, Diennes blocks, money, a clock and several other items, so again they do not have to share these resources. If it is necessary to access other resources, please be assured that they will be sterilised before the children use them again.



As the children will not be taking books home, I have set up the books in the classroom and either I or Miss Cronin will choose them a book when they need one. Their reading will continue to be assessed as they work their way through the reading levels. The children have been away from school for ten weeks now, so please bear with us. We will inform you when we change their reading level. When books are finished and they are returned, they will be left in a box until the end of each week to avoid any contact by other children.



There is a box for their lunchboxes and lunches will be eaten in the classroom. Drinks bottles will be put in the usual place. Please be advised that there will be no drinks available to buy so it is important to send a bottle of water into school, particularly now as the weather seems set to be quite warm. Also please remember hats, and sun cream which the children can keep in their individual packs as they no longer have access to their trays, as moving about the classroom will be kept to a minimum. They have their own class box for playtimes, again any items used will be sterilised before they are used again.



If they need the toilet, they will go with an adult to ensure hand-washing. There is a supply of soap and hand sanitiser in the classroom, which the children will use regularly, especially when they have been outside. There will also be a supply of tissues available. I have put up some information posters which I will discuss with the children to give them factual information about the measures we are taking to keep them safe.

These are very difficult times for all of us and I hope the children settle into their new routines and feel comfortable. Learning will look different and I intend to do as much outdoor learning as possible, dependent upon the weather and the availability of the outside space as it is shared with three other classes. Work completed will be marked only by verbal feedback and I will take photographs where possible of practical work done. This will all be collated in a folder for the children to take home when appropriate.

If you have any concerns or questions about your child in Class 2, please do not hesitate to contact the office and I will try and get back to you if you need to speak to me.

Many thanks and see you all again soon. I have missed the children so much.

Take care.

Miss Pennock